

General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 956

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LCO No. 3828



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by: (HS)

AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TO CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 17b-261 of the general statutes is amended to add
- 2 subsection (*l*) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2021*):
- 3 (NEW) (l) Within available appropriations, the Commissioner of
- 4 Social Services shall provide medical assistance to any person who
- 5 otherwise meets income eligibility guidelines (1) pursuant to subsection
- 6 (a) of this section, or (2) for HUSKY D, as defined in section 17b-290,
- 7 regardless of immigration status.
- 8 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 17b-277 of the general statutes is
- 9 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July 1,
- 10 2021):
- 11 (a) The Commissioner of Social Services shall provide, in accordance
- 12 with federal law and regulations, medical assistance under the Medicaid
- 13 program to needy pregnant women whose families have an income not
- 14 exceeding two hundred fifty-eight per cent of the federal poverty level.

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- 15 Within available appropriations, the commissioner shall provide
- 16 medical assistance to such women regardless of such women's
- 17 <u>immigration status.</u>
- 18 Sec. 3. Subsection (a) of section 17b-292 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1*,
- 20 2021):
- 21 (a) A child who resides in a household with household income which
- 22 exceeds one hundred ninety-six per cent of the federal poverty level and
- 23 does not exceed three hundred eighteen per cent of the federal poverty
- 24 level may be eligible for benefits under HUSKY B, regardless of
- 25 <u>immigration status</u>.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2021	17b-261
Sec. 2	July 1, 2021	17b-277(a)
Sec. 3	July 1, 2021	17b-292(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To provide medical assistance to certain individuals regardless of immigration status.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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